



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

James L. BARATUCI, et al.

Application No: 10/004,365

Filed: November 1, 2001

For: RIBBED TUBE CONTINUOUS FLEXIBLE SPACER ASSEMBLY

Confirmation No: 7294

Group Art Unit: 3635

Examiner: Katcheves

Attorney Docket: 0124-112

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

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In response to the outstanding Office Action mailed July 21, 2003, the time for reply having been duly extended until January 21, 2004 by the attached petition, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begin on page 2 of this paper.